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WAR & PEACE

Truman budget 88% for war as colonial world blazes up

PRESIDENT Truman last week asked Congress to spend $85,000,000,000, or about $10 million an hour, in fiscal 1953. He earmarked 88 to 90c of each dollar for war—past, present, future; 10 to 12c for all other federal govt. expenditures including the cost of government, Congress, Presidency, tax collection, courts, subsidies, highways, the "Fair Deal." Unless new taxes are imposed 17c out of every dollar will be deficit, the total deficit bigger than the entire budget of a decade ago.

The President raised arms spending by another $20,000,000,000; sought to quiet industrialists' fears of a "post-defense build-up recession" by promising an extension of top-level arms spending through 1955. The **Wall St. Journal** (Jan. 22) confessed the budget was "too big for comprehension"; its own feeling "after plodding through [it] was one of complete frustration." Noting that the bulk of the money would be spent "for goods and labor of absolutely no economic value whatsoever," it predicted "final collapse" if there were no change of course.

E-Z strike won

The 15-month strike of the Empire Zinc workers in Hanover, N. M., is over. The Mine, Mill & Smelter Workers' local won a resounding victory, with pay increases averaging 24c an hour. All the strikers are going back to work with full seniority and other accrued rights. The GUARDIAN will carry a full story next week.

"FORCE NO SOLUTION": That Washington's guns and billions could put out the fires of revolution sweeping through Asia and Africa, undermining the empires of the "free world," looked more unlikely day by day. From Indo-China to Morocco, colonial peoples were taking the fight for independence into their own, often bare hands. In the Middle East (N. Y. **Times**, Jan. 24),

> . . . events are deteriorating to an alarming extent. Iran is running steeply down the path to ruin. . . . In Tunisia the French appear to have committed an appalling error. . . . Egypt is careening downhill. . . . Somehow, somewhere, this progression toward ruin must stop. . . . Force is no solution. . . .

But the West had no other answer.

EGYPT ABLAZE: At Ismailia in the Suez Canal zone, British and Egyptians fought their fiercest battle since Britain occupied Egypt in 1882. When Egyptian police defied an order to surrender arms, some 1,500 British armored troops opened fire; in a five-hour battle 43 Egyptians and 3 British were killed, hundreds wounded. Next day in Cairo angry people marched, demanding: "Arms!" "Revenge!" "To Ismailia!" They fired foreign-owned buildings including the famous Shepheard's Hotel, burned automobiles, night clubs, theaters; Cairo was a "desolated city" where "sparks soared hundreds of feet high into a pall of smoke in the night" (**AP**). Police, ordered to disperse the people, joined with them, shouting: "Long live Russia, friend of Egypt!"

The Nahas Pasha government called out its troops, proclaimed martial law, an ironclad curfew, arrested 300 "subversives" including the head of the Socialist Party, banned gatherings of more than five persons, asserted its aim "to crush this organized revolution." King Farouk, alarmed at the popular uprising, ousted Nahas Pasha, appointed pro-Axis and pro-British Aly Maher Pasha, who was expected to rule by decree since Nahas Pasha's Wafdist Party holds the majority in Parliament.

ALARUMS IN PARIS: In Tunisia (protectorate governed by a French Resident General; French-dominated government and civil service), Moslem nationalist demonstrations "began to assume the appearance of an insurrection in some parts of the country" (**Times**, Jan. 25). Led by "moderates," the Tunisian national movement has demanded only home rule under French control. When France reneged on promises of constitutional reform late last year, Tunisia appealed to the UN Security Council (where the appeal was turned over to the French delegation). France then arrested leaders of the Neodestour (New Constitution) Party and Communist Party. Tunisians reacted with a general strike, giant demonstrations bloodily suppressed by police and troops, and the capture and control of one town, Teboulba.

Christmas in a North Korea POW camp

Monica Felton, British govt. official who visited North Korea and at the cost of her job devoted herself to spreading the truth about it, was asked recently to describe the "red indoctrination" of Western POW's. "The educational program," she replied, "starts with study of the UN Charter." This picture just received from China shows the Charter—and the Christmas spirit of peace—in action at a Xmas Day party in one camp. (More Xmas POW pictures on p. 4).

Daily Worker, London

"Can't make these chaps understand the danger of invasion comes from Stalin, not us!"

In week-long fighting the toll was some 50 dead, 200 wounded, 4,000 arrested. Every shot fired in Tunisia, said the **Times** Jan. 27,

> . . . is heard uneasily in France's other protectorate of Morocco and in its annexed overseas department of Algeria, where Moslem sentiment is also on the rise. . . . If the Tunisian spark becomes a blaze, it could easily spread to the rest of the area.

The "alarming symptoms" in North Africa moved Premier Faure's new government in Paris to seek an international understanding "which would extend into a solid common policy with Britain on relations with the Arab world" (**Times**, Jan. 24). Delegates of

(Continued on page 4)

FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT
1882-1945

The cult of the fainthearted is on its way out

ON this day, the day on which a whole world commemorates the birth of one of the greatest Americans, Franklin Delano Roosevelt, the Progressive Party urges upon every American a rededication of the principles which guided President Roosevelt in his search for peace.

In his last public statement, written the day before he died, President Roosevelt said:

"The work, my friends, is peace. More than an end of this war—an end to the beginnings of all wars. Yes, an end, forever, to this impractical, unrealistic settlement of the differences between governments by the mass killing of peoples. . . .

"Today the cult of the fainthearted, the credo of those cringing adorers of a criminal precedent, is on its way out. And in a space of time as far back as history goes, that is something new under the sun."

THESE words of the world's beloved FDR should today be blazoned across the front pages of every newspaper in our land. They should be heard in every American home as the guiding precept of the men and women in whom the people have placed their trust.

Instead, the newspapers and airwaves blazon the fearful news that MacArthur's fantastic dream of the big war with China is coming closer to realization. The speeches and reports of President Truman, Prime Minister Churchill, Gov. Dewey, John Foster Dulles, Gen. Ridgway and others make it clear that the stalemate in Korea is deliberately being hardened; that provocations are developing for extending the war into Indo-China and Malaya as a basis for the big-scale effort to return the unwanted and hated Chiang Kai-shek to dictatorship over the Chinese people. Already Chiang's troops are landing in Burma with American help.

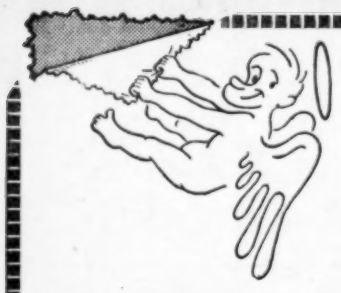
WE who believed in the vision of peace revealed to us by Franklin Roosevelt now stand at a critical point.

We can move together, along with our neighbors and friends, to help bring FDR's prophecy of "something new under the sun" toward realization; or we can bow to the war-makers and submit our generations to the prolongation of "the criminal precedent" of war.

We call upon all within reach of these words to write or wire now to President Truman and to your Congressman and Senator, demanding that the truce talks in Korea be hastened toward accomplishment of an armistice for peace.

Do this today, for peaceful tomorrows for a whole world.

THE PROGRESSIVE PARTY
Elmer Benson, chairman
C. B. Baldwin, secretary



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THE MAIL BAG

Blood into profits

NEW YORK, N. Y.

When the Korean War was only a few months old, and especially when it entered the second year, urgent and dramatic appeals for blood donations were heard across our land through every medium.

During this campaign to succor the wounded of battle, war production profits reached the highest rate in U. S. history — profits churned from the human blood we are now asked to replace and patriotically donate.

We must all pledge never to lose sight of our goal: to replace such barbaric madness and cannibalism with decency and respect for the sanctity of this one and only life. **Harry Leonard**

A Welshman in the family

ABERYSTWYTH, WALES

Greetings to you and the valiant NATIONAL GUARDIAN. I look forward to every issue of your great little paper, which gives such an accurate picture of the real America. **Islwyn ap Nicholas**

Hounds of the FBI

FLUSHING, N. Y.

I am enclosing a copy of a letter to J. Edgar Hoover, Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation:

Sir:

Your agents have been hounding me and my family for the past month. Two or more cars, with two agents in each, maintain a constant vigil near my home. They follow me wherever I go, and also follow my wife, on business, on social visits, on errands, regardless of whether the children are along. They follow guests who come to my home. They are crude and brazen in their surveillance, so that neighborhood children tell my children that the FBI is after their father.

This operation certainly involves directly the time of at least eight agents, and costs the taxpayers many thousands of dollars each month. Regardless of what excuse you may claim, it is clear that the real reason is my writing, lectures, and other public activity in behalf of peace. This surveillance has nothing to do with law enforcement, only with intimidation and incitation to mob violence. I fail to see how these activities of your agents differ in the slightest from those of the infamous Gestapo.

Honest law enforcement would require the removal of your agents from interference in my affairs, and their assignment to investigation of actual crimes, of which an unusual number have been reported recently. I have in mind, for example, the murder of Mr. and Mrs. Harry T. Moore, the leaders of the Natl. Assn. for the Advancement of Colored People in Florida, and associated outrages against Negroes, Jews and Catholics. I suspect that your advertised intervention in that situation is a mere token intervention, involving less resources than the hounding of a single progressive, such as myself.

I assure you that your attempts to intimidate me will not have their desired effect, and that I will continue as heretofore to work for peace and as part of that effort to help bring to an end the un-American activities in which your agents are engaged. **Victor Perlo**

Victor Perlo is a well-known economist and writer (author of "American Imperialism") whose articles from time to time have appeared in the GUARDIAN.

The FBI methods he describes are similar to those being used against the family of James E. Jackson, Smith Act victim who has failed to surrender to the authorities. FBI agents trail Mrs. Jackson on the streets, follow her into grocery stores, snatch shopping lists from her hands. Her 4-year-old daughter was ordered expelled from a city nursery, but the order was postponed after a neighborhood protest. Her son is hon[illegible]d in school. Ed.

Daily Worker, London

"Try this one—if it wrecks the universe, ban it."

How crazy can you get dept.

LEGAL COMMITTEE — Continued debate on definition of aggression with statement by U. S. that a definition of aggression was not in interests of peace but in interests of aggression.

—From "Yesterday at the UN" summary, **Toronto Globe & Mail**, Jan. 11.

One year's sub to the sender of each item printed under this heading. This week's winner: Bruce Yorke, Toronto, Canada.

Where the Times beats us

BRONX, N. Y.

Even from 252nd St. one can see that the GUARDIAN's composing room was thinking of something else when it set up the farm prospects story (Jan. 23) with the **Wall St. Journal** quoted as saying defense spending would "mean more spending money for farmers." Concentrate! **Arthur Austin**

On the nose—a horrible typo. The correct quote: ". . . will mean more spending money but not for farmers." While we're on the subject, we owe readers a big apology for scrambled type in our Puerto Rico story (Jan. 9). Read line 10, col. 3, after col. 1, and line 9, col. 3, after col. 2, and you get the story straight.

We might point out that the N. Y. Times with scores of proofreaders consistently outdoes us on typographical howlers. Its beaut last week, quoting Eisenhower (Jan. 23, col. 1, line 30 from bottom): "The answer they are going to be seeking ten years from now is: 'Was Nato a goon concept?'" Ed.

Hiram Bingham's record

NEW CANAAN, CONN.

Every one seems to have forgotten the record of Hiram Bingham, ex-U. S. Senator from Connecticut, now chairman of the Loyalty Review Board. Mr. Bingham is so eager to make it easy to blacken the names of loyal citizens that he solicited a change from "reasonable grounds" to "reasonable doubts" as the basis for firing government employes.

Bingham when in the Senate was a member of the Finance Committee. When that committee was considering the Hawley-Smoot tariff bill in 1929 and/or 1930 it was discovered Bingham had in his office as a kind of volunteer clerk and counselor a representative of manufacturing interests deeply concerned with tariff rates. Consequently this lobbyist had access through Bingham to confidential information respecting the Committee's doings.

This highly unethical conduct was denounced on the floor of the Senate by a number of senators, including, if I remember, George Norris. Also, I am quite sure, the Senate passed a vote of censure on Bingham. At any rate he got such a castigation that he slunk around shame-faced for a long time. **M. Farmer Murphy**

Subversive corpses

LAREDO, TEX.

Do you know undertakers take fingerprints of all corpses and turn them over to the FBI? The public should know this!

S. O. S. (Save Our Stiffs)

The cost of war

CHICAGO, ILL.

While I was typing exercises from my typing book I came across this very appropriate quotation:

"Give me the money that has been spent in war, and I will clothe every man, woman and child in an attire of which kings and queens would be proud. I will build a schoolhouse in every valley over the earth. I will crown every hillside with a place of worship consecrated to the gospel of peace."—Charles Sumner.

Joan Harelik

FROM AN AMERICAN IN CHINA

The stamp of approval on the Rosenberg fight

SANDAN BAILIE SCHOOL,
SANDAN, KANSU, CHINA

AS it is impossible to send a cash contribution from here for the fund to secure justice for the Rosenbergs, perhaps you can find some open-minded stamp collector who will buy the enclosed stamps of New China. I feel I owe myself every possible

effort in this direction to hasten the day when America will again be the country it was when I left it to come here with UNRRA—a country where one could speak out for peace and justice without fear of J. Edgar Hoover's Gestapo. As a student in Germany in 1939, I saw something of the original Nazi secret police and the creeping paralysis such a system inflicts on all thinking people. The pattern in America today is so similar that one cannot afford any illusions about the future if the trend goes unchecked.

Here at this internationally staffed technical school on the edge of Mongolia we live in the spirit of peaceful, enthusiastic constructiveness, showing peasant youngsters how to repair tractors, manufacture cloth and use technical knowledge to step out of the poverty of centuries. The FBI and Sing Sing seem far away until we tune in the Voice of America and read the latest N. Y. papers, and are appalled by the lies about things we know for facts here in China. This malicious campaign can only be for one purpose, to condition the American people for a war on all who challenge the sanctity of corporation profits.

The Voice of America and the Rosenberg frame-up are all part of the same campaign: to silence criticism at home, stave off depression by a war boom rather than agree to a planned economy, return the Rhees and Chiangs over here and deliver the Asian markets and raw materials to the cartels—and to deny the singing, working, hopeful youth here the peace they want to build their future.

This campaign must be checked at every step. Keep it up.
Walter Illsley

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Progressive Party opens drive for a place on the ballot all over America

Following is a slightly condensed text of the report made by C. B. Baldwin, secretary of the Progressive Party, before the PP National Committee meeting in New York, Jan. 19-20.

IT IS CLEAR that there has been a real upsurge among the American people against the growing costs and dangerous consequences of the bipartisan foreign policy. But it is also clear that the answer to this upsurge is a resort to more desperate expedients both at home and abroad. I am not going out on a limb when I say that the long retreat is over, the American people are beginning to advance again. But the swift pace of events is such that there is even greater urgency in our job of translating this gathering protest into concrete political action in time.

The basic fact is that the bipartisan foreign policy, the policy endorsed by Truman and his Democrats, and by Taft and Eisenhower and their Republicans, is running into heavier seas both at home and abroad. Truman's State of the Union Message and his Economic Report reveal these difficulties. And the talks of Churchill reveal the new desperation.

OPEN DOOR TO WAR: They have no program for peace. The only door Truman keeps open is the door to war. He shows no desire to end the senseless war in Korea. In fact, as the economy of the world staggers under the burden of arms the Pentagon and the State Dept. threaten a new and more dangerous war in Indo-China that is aimed at restoring the corrupt Chiang Kai-shek in China proper. And now Churchill proposes that American troops stand guard in the Middle East to put down rising Arab nationalism. They propose to rearm Germany and Japan, embrace Franco and defy the rising demand for peaceful settlements.

They have no program for maintaining the domestic economy except through bigger and bigger doses of armaments, paid for by the people in higher prices and taxes and the neglect of their basic needs. To the growing demand of some conservatives like Philip Reed of General Electric for a slowdown in arms spending because they see a cataclysmic depression ahead, Truman's answer is to step up the arms program by $20 billions and prolong it for another year.

Drawing by Morrill

"Well, General, what's the name of the next place where we're going to restore democracy?"

A RULE BY FEAR: They have no program for maintaining their rule except by increasing fear and repression, by Smith Act indictments and McCarran Act prosecutions, by threatening concentration camps to dissidents, by maintaining a reign of terror over the Negro people, by hogtying labor with Taft-Hartley, and now a new proposal from the Trumanite Sen. Humphrey to outlaw all unions which don't meet the McCarran Act test of purity.

Real wages are falling, taxes are taking a bigger bite out of the average worker's wage, while profits remain at all-time highs. Food prices are way out of reach, but farm prices are falling. The heaviest government spending for arms in history has brought severe unemployment in Michigan, in New England; and in New York the State Employment office announces that in 1952 New York will have one-fourth of the nation's unemployed. The hard facts of life are teaching American workers that a war economy cannot for long maintain their real wages or assure them of jobs.

THE REVOLT BEGINS: There is real stirring in labor's ranks against the speed-up and unemployment. The organized labor movement, led by the progressive unions, has announced its determination to break the wage freeze. The call for higher taxes is meeting a wall of resistance.

The brutal and shocking murder of Dr. Harry Moore and his wife, culmination of a reign of terror in Florida, has brought the most united, widespread, angry protest. A month has passed—and still no results from Truman, McGrath and the FBI. Truman's only answer to the powerful demand of the Negro people for equality was to "soft-pedal" the issues of civil rights in his Message.

In the field of civil liberties we have witnessed a similar counter-offensive of the people. The resounding victory won by Dr. DuBois and his co-defendants of the Peace Information Center flows from widespread protest, particularly among the Negro people. And there is growing revulsion against the Smith Act and the arrests of Communists. Leaders of the ADA are calling for joint action with the Civil Liberties Union and the CIO to demand its repeal. A justice of the Supreme Court has denounced the reign of fear.

LET'S GET TOGETHER: We have also witnessed unmistakable rises in peace sentiment. In the past few months, the Gallup Polls have registered that a majority of the American people want an end to the war in Korea, and 70% urge talks among the Great Powers to settle outstanding issues. No one can have failed to notice that even in the most conservative quarters there has arisen a deep and persistent distrust of the bipartisan foreign policy.

And in addition, there is widespread disgust at the growing evidence of corruption within the Administration, a corruption that feeds on the public trough of wasteful arms spending.

What are the political consequences of this growing disaffection? It is to convert more voters than ever before into political migrants. A recent Gallup Poll shows that 27% of American voters—far more than at any other time in our history—consider themselves "independents" in politics. If 1952 brings out a normal vote, this means close to 17 million people.

THE IRON TRIANGLE: The dilemma faced by most independent voters among the workers, farmers and Negro people is that they see no choice in the iron triangle offered by Truman, Taft or Eisenhower, and are still restrained from asserting political independence by their misleaders who shackle them to the two-party system. Thus, the conditions which will produce a political realignment are ripening. The broad political coalition of peace forces which alone can defeat the warmakers is in process of formation. But it has not yet matured.

These are the political facts which set the outlines of our course. We are determined at all costs that the American people shall have a choice. But to register that choice, a place must be secured on the ballot. The chance to vote for peace will be lost unless that place is nailed down—beginning right now. As of this date, the Progressive Party is the only organization in existence that is ready, willing and able to do that job. We must move now to put the Progressive Party on the ballot to ensure the possibility of a vote for peace.

INDEPENDENT CANDIDATES: In recommending this action, I want to make it perfectly clear that we are not closing the door to an independent peace candidate. On the contrary, we are taking the essential steps to keep an independent candidacy alive as a practical political possibility in 1952. If such a candidacy materializes, we will be prepared to withdraw our own nominee and make the Progressive Party line on the ballot available to him. But, while we would welcome such a development, we must lay the groundwork for a vigorous and effective national campaign of our own.

Little known facts about America

The chief of the Cooperative for American Remittances to Europe's mission in Yugoslavia believes that Premier Marshal Tito is about to promulgate to his countrymen "the line that true socialism exists in the United States."

N. Y. Times, Jan. 3, 1952

Eisenhower believes the American people . . . are politically more mature than any other people in the world.

Westbrook Pegler in Eisenhower interview from Paris, N. Y. Journal American, Jan. 10, 1952.

THE CONGRESSIONAL ELECTIONS

The policy is flexible

Following are excerpts from a "Report on Congressional Elections" presented at the PP Natl. Comm. meeting:

THE 80th, 81st, and 82d cold-war Congresses turned their backs on the needs of the American people. These Congresses spent, or committed to be spent, over $250 billions for cold war purposes—almost $6,000 per family in the U. S. over a five-year period. These war expenditures have caused price increases amounting to over $150 billions. In direct expenditures and price increases, they have cost the American people $400 billions.

The Republicans controlled the 80th Congress, the Democrats the 81st and 82d. But the only difference among them is that there is no Marcantonio in this 82d to give heart and leadership to the people's cause.

The first aim of our Congressional policy, therefore, must be to send Marcantonio back to Congress. It is also possible this year to elect a block of liberal, pro-labor, pro-civil rights, peace-minded Congressmen who will fight to reverse the war-mongering, wage-freezing, profiteering, price-skyrocketing, racist policies of the Cold War Congresses. This is possible because of the increasing militancy among the people.

VITO MARCANTONIO
The No. 1 job

The political forms that this independent political action takes vary from place to place. Local conditions—the nature of the candidates of the other parties, the role of labor, the farmers, the Negro people and other minority groups, the local strength of our own party, the various state election law requirements—are dictating them. No matter what precise electoral forms the independent political action takes, we should associate ourselves with it.

In selecting the places for our own candidates, however, we must avoid policies that will throw us in opposition to the people we are trying to win for our national program. A flexible policy which puts forward our own candidates in some areas and enables Progressives to work side by side with non-Progressives in other areas around a labor, Negro, or peace candidate who has chosen another electoral vehicle will increase the possibility of electing people's Congressmen. At the same time, it will enhance our possibility of winning new supporters for our national ticket.

Running through all of these electoral possibilities is the struggle for Negro representation. This movement has received tremendous impetus in the past few years in our own campaigns and within the two old parties in many places in the country. These campaigns must be viewed as an integral part of the fight for Negro rights. The fight for FEPC, for an end to lynching, for an end to discrimination in housing and all other phases of our national life, for full citizenship rights for the Negro people, will be advanced immeasurably by the candidacy and election of a large number of Negroes to Congress.

We have not and we do not now propose to make this campaign the sole property of the Progressive Party. We propose the unification of the Negro community, regardless of party affiliation, behind this movement. As a first step, we propose to encourage the setting up of non-partisan committees for representation in the Negro community that will carefully select districts for concentration, try to prevail on all parties to nominate Negroes for Congress.

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Middle East ablaze; Far East war pushed

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the increasingly powerful Arab-Asian bloc in UN met with Assembly pres. Padilla Nervo to protest imprisonment of Tunisian nationalists and French policy. In the Assembly, Egypt followed the U.S.S.R. in demanding that all foreign troops be withdrawn from newly "independent" Libya, site of the biggest U.S. air base in the Middle East. United in a common policy against the colonial peoples, the big three imperialist powers were torn within by the U.S. effort to take over British and French preserves.

PERSIAN PEOPLE SPEAK: In Iran, whose Tudeh (People's) Party is the Middle East's strongest liberation movement, Premier Mossadegh appeared drawing closer to Washington with which he is still dickering over a World Bank plan to run the oil industry. On the eve of three-day elections in Teheran, Tudeh in an open letter to Mossadegh demanded he oust U.S. military advisers, refuse Point Four aid, carry out nationalization.

Tudeh presented a list of its own candidates, called by the N.Y. **Times** "quite distinguished." It included a general and former governor general of a major province, a former mayor of Teheran, a former deputy, the chief of the Government Minerals Dept., a distinguished theologian, a professor and a Teheran University mathematician. As voting closed, police raided Tudeh Clubs in order, said Tudeh, to destroy voters' certificates deposited with clubs as a check on vote counting, notoriously dishonest.

Far East—U.S. fans fires

ALTHOUGH rocked by the eruptions in the Middle East and North Africa, Washington continued to advance its plans for war on Asian peoples who have won or are winning independence. To the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, preparing to approve the Japanese Peace Treaty, John Foster Dulles outlined "a hardening of

American policy aimed at overthrowing the Red regime in Peking" (N.Y. **Herald Tribune,** Jan. 23). In three vital paragraphs, which Dulles told inattentive senators were "the most important part" of his statement, and which "were the result of a major policy decision worked out by the State Dept. and approved by President Truman" (**NYHT,** Jan. 27), Dulles proclaimed the "impermanence" of the Peking regime, declaring:

> "We cannot expect change in China to take place automatically. To realize such change will require something besides negative and purely defensive policy in Asia on the part of the leaders of the free world, notably the U.S. It will require determination to promote freedom and independence in Asia and action consistent with that determination as opportunities arise."

BRASS—HIGHLY INFLAMMABLE: N.Y.'s Gov. Dewey followed with a major speech, heralded as outlining Republican policy toward Asia, and calling for "strong action now to hold the whole Pacific." A Truman-Churchill accord to bomb Manchuria, truce or no truce, "if the Communist start air attacks which 'jeopardize' UN forces," was reported by the **Herald Tribune** from London (Jan. 26) and the **Times** from Washington (Jan. 27). Truman had specifically promised Churchill "to consult Britain . . . before deciding that Chinese air attacks have reached the scale which 'jeopardizes' UN forces"; but the practical result was to leave decisions inviting major war in the Far East in the hands of the U.S.'s generals, whose view was summed up last week by Gen. Van Fleet. Calling the Korean War a "blessing," he said:

> "We are going to knock down the Communists. If necessary we are going to wipe them out. We are going to push them back on all fronts, everywhere there are free people."

Vice Adm. Turner C. Joy, a U.S. negotiator at Panmunjom, (**U.S. News,** Jan. 25) said he was sure "there must be a large number of people who would heartily endorse blasting the Communists off the Korean peninsula," and spoke hopefully of "the application of sufficient military power to induce" a Communist "change of heart."

THE AIRFIELD QUESTION: While the U.S. admitted bombings and strafings in the Kaesong neutral area, the truce talks remained dangerously deadlocked over POW exchange and North Korea's right to repair airfields. One-for-one POW exchange on a "voluntary" basis was still insisted on by U.S. negotiators. The U.S. attitude toward this violation of the Geneva Convention was revealed by U.S. negotiator Lt. Col. Levie, who told the press Dec. 11 that "UN was not going to give the Communists a great deal of manpower." (The U.S. has yet to turn over a usable list of the war prisoners it holds.) The Korean-Chinese view on airfield construction was given by **Ce Soir** correspondent Wilfred Burchett:

> Because their bombers are unable to penetrate safely into North Korea, the Americans are now claiming that this ability of the North Korean airforce to defend its towns and villages represents a threat to American security. No North Korean can rest while American planes have the right to roam where and when they please. Only if the Americans have further aggressive aims can they possibly demand the right to cripple this war-torn country's air defences. At the very moment when the Americans are demanding that airfield repair and reconstruction in North Korea should cease, they themselves are reinforcing their troops in Korea, as Air Gen. Turner today admitted.

London **Daily Worker** correspondent Alan Winnington, also with the Chinese, wrote:

> So far, observers say, the Americans have agreed to nothing but the cease-fire line and then only after fighting themselves to a standstill. Current American purposes, as seen here, most likely are: to avoid a winter campaign; to build up and modernize their forces; to get the Koreans to discontinue asking for defense measures; to get their own POW's back while retaining huge numbers of Koreans and Chinese; and to start a war again when they feel strong enough.

". . . They are just people — even as you and I"

These N. Korean POW camp pictures just in from China show (left) Catholic Xmas Eve service; (right) Preparing the camp Xmas dinner—East-West cooperation on the practical level.

"It's funny," said British Marine John Underwood of Bournemouth in an international POW forum broadcast from Peking last month (with a white American, a Negro American, an Australian, a Puerto Rican, a Filipino, a Japanese Hawaiian), "when you think back to what you were told about the Communists opposing religion." Said the Filipino: "I imagined them to be barbarians like the Huns, expected to be killed or tortured—but they are just ordinary, friendly people like myself." Said the white American: "They always made sure I had enough to eat, gave us their own overcoats to keep us warm." British Trooper Peter Rowley wrote home last month: "We are being treated more like guests than prisoners."

Propaganda? Look at the pictures and judge for yourself. But the future of the hundreds of POW's who have seen "the other side"—and found out for the first time what the UN whose flag they bore really is, according to its Charter—is a big question mark. NBC Tokyo correspondent Irving H. Levine reported (Chicago Daily News, Jan. 2) that a special U.S. officer group is combing POW letters for evidence that they "have succumbed to the Communist line" (i.e., report that they are being well treated). When released, they will be grilled on this "evidence," and all POW's will have to "sign a pledge not to discuss with anyone classified aspects of his experience."

Whose Iron Curtain?

BURMA "ROAD BACK?" While U.S. officialdom and press talked ever more openly of Washington's plan to bomb China's cities and blockade her coast and to intervene in Indo-China, the London **Observer** confirmed Chinese and Russian charges that the U.S. is bringing Chiang Kai-shek troops from Formosa to use against South China. Its correspondent in Rangoon, Rawle Knox, reported Jan. 20:

> One of Chiang Kai-shek's best battalions has recently reinforced Kuomintang General Li Mi's 93rd Division in Burma, according to indisputable sources here. The battalion, a platoon at a time, has crossed the Thai border into Kengtung province. Kuomintang officers are talking of a February offensive.
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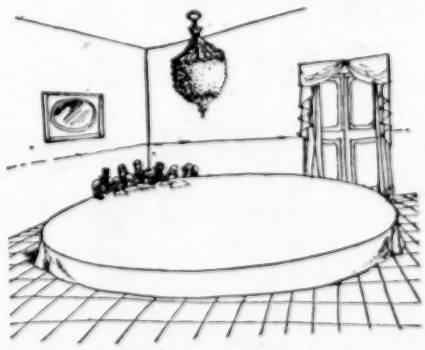
> There is indisputable evidence that Americans are helping the 93rd Division. . . . Over Kengtung town Constellations are frequently seen. . . . Misdirected parachute drops have been found which include American small arms manufactured since the war. Surrendered Kuomintang men say they have been helped into Burma by an American organization in Bangkok. Gen. Li Mi flew to Bangkok at Christmas and has not yet returned. [Although the U.S. Embassy denied it] there is quite sufficient evidence however to show that an independent American agency is helping Kuomintang troops and material through Thailand to Burma, a manoeuvre for which in present Asian circumstances foolhardy is a temperate word. . . .



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"Aren't there some people missing?"

A MESSAGE FROM INDIA: In a recent truce-talk session at Panmunjom Maj. Gen. Turner referred to the "childishly simple" task of bombing China. But Washington got a warning last week that its plan might not be "childishly simple." GUARDIAN's Gordon Schaffer reported from London that India, still diplomatically represented at Peking, has warned the West:

> 1. Chiang forces in Formosa are completely unreliable from the U.S. viewpoint. Mao Tse-tung has offered all of them free railway transport home directly they land in China, and at least half are known to have families in China.
>
> 2. China's air force is capable of dealing with all bombers outside the range of fighter protection, and even where bombers are escorted by fighters can give a good account of itself.
>
> 3. The Soviet Union will honor its pledge of mutual assistance "in the event of attack on China by Japan or any power associated with Japan" if war is launched against the Chinese mainland.

The people in the way

WINSTON Churchill, whose reversal of British policy opened the door to a "Western" war on China, returned home last week to face a gathering storm. Schaffer wrote:

> He may have convinced Truman that Britain is ready to follow America in a new war of intervention against the Chinese revolution; he hasn't convinced his own people. For the first time since the Chamberlain days a broad opposition has developed. The Manchester Guardian calls it "the MacArthur Plan brought out and dusted afresh." The Daily Mirror, most widely-circulated newspaper, comments on the "perturbation in the public mind over reports of an understanding about the possible bombing of China." Even the Daily Herald, which still clings to the coalition in foreign policy, complains about the U.S. action in pressing Japan to recognize Chiang. Left-wing Labour MP's will introduce a motion calling for repeal of the Japanese Peace Treaty Act in view of Tokyo's premature recognition of Chiang.

CRUMBLING FOUNDATIONS: Other obstacles stood in Washington's way. Its plans, as James Reston explained (N.Y. **Times,** Jan. 24), hinge on rebuilding Far East policy around India and Japan. But Japan's Premier Yoshida faced "a major political crisis" (London **Sunday Times,** Jan. 20) over his commitment to Chiang which "looks like splitting his government and party in the Diet." Opposition to Washington's demand for Japanese rearmament was growing. **Reuters** reported Jan. 6 from Tokyo that 60% of the population would be opposed to rearmament at any price.

In India, Communist victories in continuing general elections have made the Communist Party the second strongest in Madras, Hyderabad, Travancore-Cochin, dealing a "humiliating defeat" (**Times,** Jan. 25) to Nehru's Congress Party and almost eliminating the Socialists (pro-Western) as a factor in Indian politics.

In the UN General Assembly, for the first time in its history, a U.S.-opposed Soviet resolution won victory last week. Calling for simultaneous admission to UN of five Communist and nine non-Communist countries, the resolution was approved 21 to 12 (25 abstentions) by the Political Committee. It lacked the two-thirds majority to win in the Assembly itself.

PEACE

UMT HEARINGS:

Opposition: broad — Treatment: brush-off

OPPOSITION to conscription (universal military training) is a deeply-ingrained concept of U.S. democracy. But last week the House Armed Services Committee was still conducting hearings as though UMT is already the law of the land, with only the operative details left to be voted upon. More than 70 anti-UMT witnesses, mostly farm, labor and religious leaders, were in Washington to be heard.

All of the three biggest farm organizations—Natl. Farmers Union, Natl. Grange, American Farm Bureau Fedn. —opposed it on the grounds it would drain farm manpower, endanger food production. Farm Bureau legislative director John C. Lynn, calculating from government estimates, found that UMT in full bloom would have 11,900,000 men in training camps in the summer of 1959, war or no war.

Although the Natl. Security Training Commission, set up by the 82nd Congress to draft a UMT plan, proposes 800,000 18-year-olds to take six-months basic training each year, some UMT proponents were willing to settle now

Action, Paris

for a test-run this autumn with 60,000 "volunteers" ready to take 18 months active duty immediately following six months of basic training.

GROUNDS FOR KICKING: Opposition to UMT was on many levels but showed the depth of popular feeling. The Natl. Council Against Conscription said it would turn every youth into either a "convict or conscript," would be used for "indoctrination of civilians to insure their support of national military policy." A Methodist Youth spokesman thought UMT "Russian-inspired" to divert U.S. "attention and strength"; a bishop was concerned about the "insidious enemy," beer, being served to trainees. James B. Carey of the CIO, boasting of CIO support of the draft, said UMT passed under "momentary hysteria" would be a "tragedy," and opposed it mainly because it wouldn't promote "genuine over-all security." The AFL's George D. Riley was against it unless it expires at the end of "the present war emergency."

The grounds of opposition expressed by the American Labor Party's Arthur Schutzer were sharp and simple:

> "The best defense of America is peace with all the world."

It was argued by some at the time that the "liberals" were subtly ensuring a Presidential veto, that they were making the act unworkable.

Last week prison labor was being used to ready barracks for four concentration camps—one in Florida, one in Oklahoma, two in Arizona.

The President, who in his veto message (overridden) said he assumed the concentration camp section to be unconstitutional, a few months ago quietly requested an appropriation for 70,000 guards to man the camps—equipped for 300,000 prisoners.

EASTLAND'S EMERGENCY: Sen. Eastland (D-La.) two weeks ago introduced a McCarran Act amendment making imprisonment possible simply on the declaration by Congress of a "state of internal security emergency." That emergency was declared in the same measure. The Eastland bill has been referred to the Judiciary Committee headed by Sen. McCarran.

For some the camps were a grim reminder of how close the nation was to full-blown fascism. The conservative Los Angeles **Daily News** cautioned:

> The fact that four camps already have been designated and that more are apt to be established suggests the possibility of a large number of persons being "detained." Are these to be solely known enemy agents, in the event we get a technical enemy through a declaration of war? . . . Or will they likewise include all persons who are members of groups regarded by the current Attorney General as subversive or fellow traveling organizations? This should be made clear. . . This is not something that must be left to witch-hunting or headline-hunting politicians.

BERTIE IS WORRIED: The reactionary Chicago **Tribune** wrote:

> As matters stand, Mr. Truman cannot be trusted with a power that could enable him to proceed arbitrarily against anyone he pleases. It is conceivable that he would favor a war for purposes less of dealing with Soviet aggressors abroad and of Communists at home that in order to revenge himself on his domestic opponents.

Progressives have long been fighting to repeal the McCarran Act. Dean John B. Thompson of the Rockefeller Memorial Chapel, University of Chicago, and Rabbi Leo Jung of the Rabbinical Council of America, as officers of the National Committee to Repeal the McCarran Act, wired Mr. Truman:

> We protest the steps being taken by the Justice Dept. and call upon you to order the Justice Dept. to cease immediately the implementation of these repugnant, undemocratic and unconstitutional measures.

The committee called for similar messages to White House and to senators.

FREEDOMS

Concentration camp roundup in works

WHEN THE McCARRAN ACT was drafted "liberal" Democratic Sens. Lucas and Douglas (Ill.), Lehman (N.Y.), Humphrey (Minn.) and Kefauver (Tenn.) inserted a section providing detention camps for "subversives" in the event of a declared war, invasion or insurrection.

Un-AAC guns for uncowed lawyers

INQUISITORS' roving eyes were fixed on lawyers, educators and doctors as prime targets in the '52 witch-hunt season. In Los Angeles 15 active civil rights attorneys (most have handled cases for Civil Rights Congress, Committee for Protection of Foreign Born) were subpenaed for a House Un-American Activities Committee hearing Feb. 18. Among scores of S. Californians named as communists before the Un-ACC in Washington were 32 attorneys, including the head of the L. A. Lawyers Guild, and Un-ACC subpenas were also expected for some 20 doctors and dentists, many associated with the Arts, Sciences & Professions Council.

Purge hits doctors

Without warning, charges or hearing, Drs. Richard W. Lippman, Murray Abowitz and Alexander Pennes were fired from the staff of Los Angeles' Cedars of Lebanon Hospital by its board of trustees (laymen headed by a bank president), who overruled the medical exec. committee's recommendation for routine annual reappointment of the three. Administration spokesmen privately admitted the reasons were "political." All three are active progressives with outstanding professional reputations. Abowitz, arthritis specialist with the hospital for 14 years, was "uncooperative" when called before the Un-AAC last September. Pennes is a radiologist, with the hospital seven years. Lippman was recently called to examine one of the 15 Communist Smith Act victims; a noted specialist,

his dismissal forced closing of a kidney clinic he founded four years ago. World-famous physicist Linus Pauling, protesting the dismissals, called Lippman

> . . . the most outstanding specialist on nephritis in the western U.S. and one of the best young medical research men in the country.

STAND & FIGHT: The three have taken their fight to the community, plan to go to court if necessary. They said in a statement:

> 1. By any decent moral standards—without regard to legal rights which we know we have—a man who is performing work in a quasi-public institution should not be dismissed without a hearing or charges.
>
> 2. Political considerations should not be allowed to influence the determination of doctors to practice medicine in a hospital or perform medical research.
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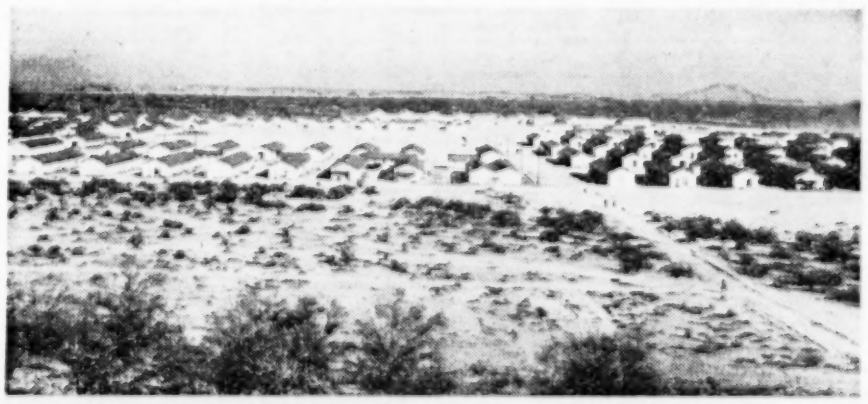
> We will stand on these principles.

Local protests have been loud and sharp; several wealthy contributors were reported withdrawing support from the hospital; at least two have changed their wills to eliminate bequests. Protests have come from other parts of the U.S. and from abroad.

BRASS AT WORK: Dr. Stanley J. Orloff, an ALP-enrolled New Yorker, was being kicked around by the Army. A practicing psychiatrist who also headed a research dept. in Creedmore State Hospital in Queens, he was drafted last summer under legislation authorizing induction of doctors over the draft age-limit of 25 (he is 27). The Army gave assurances that medical men would be used only for medical service; but when Dr. Orloff wrote some moral reservations into a loyalty oath which he signed on getting an Air Force commission, his commission was withdrawn. He was drafted into the Army as a buck private, given basic training, sent to Ft. Lawton, Seattle, for shipment to Korea.

He is still there, his departure held up while courts determine legality of the Army's treatment of him. He lost one action when a federal judge ruled that a person drafted, even as a doctor, can be assigned to any duty, but action is still pending before the Circuit Court of Appeals. Orloff's stand: he can serve society better as a doctor in civilian practice where doctors are scarce than as a private in the Army where his skills are not used and where doctors are also scarce. He is agreeable to NCO status if used as a doctor.



IS THIS THE PROSPECT FOR AMERICA?
This was the Gila River Relocation Center in Arizona which held some of the 112,000 Japanese "guests" of the Government during World War II. Concentration camps like this are being set up for Americans who believe in the Bill of Rights.

Stiff fight in schools

The administration of Minnesota University was holding firm in its dismissal of philosophy instructor Dr. Forrest O. Wiggins (GUARDIAN, Jan. 2), despite growing campus, community and national protests. Forced from official silence, pres. J. L. Morrill accused Wiggins of "careless documentation and even distortion of quoted sources," but failed to document his own charge. The Philosophy Dept. repeated its unanimous defense of Wiggins' scholarship. Donald W. Calhoun, asst. social science professor, wrote:

> It seems to me that the administration has capitulated to political and public hysteria, and has created a set of extremely ill-formulated academic "grounds" in order to disguise from itself and others the real motives for its actions.

Student rallies have drawn as many as 1,000. Dr. Wiggins is not only a Negro (first to be appointed to the faculty of a state university), but a vice-chairman of the state Progressive Party. Newest charge against the university: that it refused to appoint Malcolm Cowley, noted poet and literary critic, to the English dept. because he is a "controversial figure."

LAWRENCE PRES. EXPLODES: At Bronxville, N.Y., pres. Harold Taylor of Sarah Lawrence complained that for two months his college has been the target of a concentrated attack by the Hearst press, the witch-hunting newsletter **Counter Attack,** Allen Zoll, Louis Budenz and the American Legion. Taylor denied any "subversive" influences in his school, said a Communist could not teach there, but insisted:

> Teachers who meet the test of candor, honesty and scholarly integrity may not be deprived of any rights they hold as citizens of this country, including the right to belong to any legal political organization of their own choosing.

In New York City "possibly half-a-dozen" public school teachers were due to be questioned on their political beliefs and affiliations; 25 have already been grilled. Eight who were suspended in May, 1950, and eventually dismissed lost a suit for back pay for the time between their suspension and trial.

University of Utah students, concerned because "academic freedom like other freedoms is imperiled by the cold war," announced formation of the American Assn. of University Students for Academic Freedom, (1140 Kensington Ave., Salt Lake City, Utah), circulated 700 colleges in every state for membership, proposed to serve as a clearing-house for information and action on all violations of academic freedom.

Tailpiece

In Los Angeles a man suing for divorce said of his wife:

> "I don't know exactly about her leanings but she used to go to meetings in Cleveland of what was called the Progressive Party and she also attended several of Paul Robeson's meetings."

Ruled the judge:

> "When one spouse expresses leanings toward the Communist line, that constitutes mental cruelty and it seems to me that is sufficient grounds for divorce."

Behind the blacked-out 'conspiracy' trial in Pakistan

By Kumar Goshal

AN extraordinary "conspiracy" trial now proceeding in Pakistan, the Moslem Dominion carved out of the former Indian Empire, has inspired in the U.S. press a silence as eloquent as the protests which have rained upon Pakistan's government from all over that country and India. It is being staged inside a jail—without a jury, the right of appeal or of free choice of counsel by the accused. The proceedings, brought by the government against some of the country's most famous and respected persons, are secret; the press is barred; only the verdict will be allowed to be published.

Among those accused of a "plot to overthrow the government" are Maj. Gen. Akbar Khan, Pakistan Army Chief of Staff, and his wife; Faiz Ahmed Faiz, editor of the popular opposition daily **Pakistan Times**; Syed Sajjad Zaheer, gen. secy. of the Pakistan Communist Party; and Syed Sibtey Hasan, former UN correspondent of an Indian paper, who is imprisoned but not being tried with the others.

GOOD FOR BUSINESS: To understand the trial's significance it is necessary to look at the background. Although when Pakistan became a reality the Moslem masses were promised economic relief by the Moslem League, the party in power, their lot has shown little improvement. Severe exploitation by landlords and large-scale illiteracy still flourish; agriculture remains unmodernized, basic industries undeveloped. For businessmen, however, the government has reduced super-tax from 9 to 7½ annas; exempted new businesses from income tax up to 5% of capital invested; made other tax and customs concessions including two-year non-assessment for tax of buildings completed during the two years following March, 1951.

SYED SAJJAD ZAHEER
The doors are closed tight

Despite these concessions, the government's 1951-52 budget estimated a surplus of nearly 300 million rupees. Part of the surplus is due, no doubt, to the increased demand for Pakistani raw material for the Korean war, American stockpiling and European rearmament; but a great part is obtained by depriving the people of desperately-needed social and economic measures. More than 60% of the budget is devoted to "defense" expenditures, sharply reducing allocations for health, education, etc. Inevitable popular discontent has resulted in strikes, even among government employes, and formation of more popular political parties opposing Moslem League policies.

DANGER—PROGRESS: These circumstances lent national importance to the Punjab Assembly elections last March. This was the first test of strength between the Moslem League and opposition parties.

Leading the opposition was the Azad (Free) Pakistan party headed by Mian Iftikharuddin, owner of the **Pakistan Times**, whose manifesto demanded abolition of landlordism; nationalization of all foreign-owned industries; "curbing of foreign monopolies and firms that loot our country"; replacement of foreigners by "patriotic Pakistanis" in key army and civil staff positions; establishment of an "independent democratic republic." This program evoked such popular support that the Moslem League's rule was threatened.

Just before the Punjab elections, Prime Minister Liaquat Ali Khan announced discovery of "the plot to overthrow the government by violent means," and Akbar Khan, some other army officers and Faiz (editor of Iftikharuddin's paper), were arrested. At first no accusation was made against the Communist Party, but later it was "discovered" that the CP was involved and the whole affair was a "Communist conspiracy." Liberal Indian and Pakistani opinion characterized the affair as reminiscent of the infamous "Zinoviev letter."*

RIGHTS AND WRONGS: Progressives all over the world, including the U.S., have protested against the arrests and the manner of trial. Faiz is also a trade union leader and poet celebrated enough to have been included in th panel of speakers by America's Tow Meeting of the Air during a Pakistan stopover on its 1949 world tour. Sajjad Zaheer is a famous critic and novelist, and a founder of the Indian Progressive Writer's Assn. Both were prominent in the peace movement. Since their arrest, other celebrated writers and journalists, such as Ahmed Nadim Qasmi, Zaheer Kashmiri, Mumtaz Hussain and Hamid Akhtar, have been imprisoned.

Under the all-embracing Central and Provincial Safety Acts, the Pakistan government is trying to stifle all progressives and all political opposition. Ironically, Pakistan voted for the UN Declaration of Human Rights; it was a member of the UN Commission which adopted the draft International covenant of human rights, several articles of which it is now violating in toto.

* The "Zinoviev letter," giving instructions from Moscow for a revolution in Britain, was the main propaganda device used by the Tories to defeat the first British Labour government in 1924. It was later, of course, shown to be a forgery.

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LAST month William L. Patterson walked into the UN in Paris with a blistering 240-page document charging genocide by the U.S. government against the American Negro people. Friends and admirers of the lion-hearted Civil Rights Congress chief came to New York's Idlewild airport by the score last week to welcome him home. Also on hand were U.S. officials who confiscated his passport, questioned him for two hours, searched him and took copies of the Paris papers **Action** and **Ce Soir** and the Budapest **Szabad Nep**, which featured interviews with Patterson. (The papers reached subscribers here normally through the mails. The interview in **Action**, left-wing weekly politically equivalent to the GUARDIAN, filled an entire page with Patterson's point-by-point answers to whitewash of U.S. jimcrow contained in a U.S. Information Service document hurriedly issued in Paris Dec. 15).

During his Paris stay U.S. officials had vainly sought to suppress Patterson and his charges which, however, had been translated into French, German, Polish, Dutch, Spanish, Portuguese and Russian and read around the world. No U.S. UN delegate attempted to answer them.

TWO KINDS OF PATRIOTISM: Patterson returned to face trial on a contempt-of-Congress charge growing out of a House committee hearing in which Rep. Lanham (D-Ga.) called him a "black s-o-b."

As he landed word came that his attorney, Vito Marcantonio, had won a trial postponement from Jan. 28 to March 10. After confiscation of his passport Patterson cabled UN Gen. Assembly pres. Padilla Nervo asking the right to return to Paris to argue for the petition. He compared his case with that of Rev. Michael Scott who fought

WILLIAM L. PATTERSON
Faith in the real America

for and was granted the right to speak against South Africa's persecution of Negroes.

On Sunday 2,500 cheered him at a "welcome home" rally in New York's Rockland Palace, at which Paul Robeson spoke. Calling U.S. government leaders "butchers and murderers," Patterson told the gathering:

> "There is a difference between love for one's country and for one's government. . . . Hatred of the present American leaders strengthens my love for the U.S."

THE FLORIDA TERROR

Nation seethes as FBI scores zero

NO report, no results, no action: this was the FBI-Justice Dept. record last week on the Florida terror and murders. In Florida the official Conference of Sheriffs indicated the state's violence-curbing intentions when, meeting in Miami (site of six months of bombings of Jewish, Catholic and Negro properties); it invited Klan Dragon Bill Hendrix as guest speaker. Prominently present was Sheriff Willis McCall who killed Samuel Shepherd and wounded Walter Irvin while both were handcuffed together in his custody. Protest against this violence led to the Christmas night bomb-murder of NAACP leader Harry T. Moore and his wife.

Government inaction led to new violence. Arthur Holland, Negro, was beaten and shot at in Orlando, Fla., "as a lesson to other Negroes." In Granville County, N.C., a Negro home was bombed. A Negro cafe in Dallas, Tex., was bombed three times in a month. Three of the South's most militant Negro leaders—attorney Harold Flowers of Pine Bluff, Ark., James Hinton of Columbia, S.C., G.D. Rodgers of Tampa, Fla.—received KKK death threats.

GATHERING STORM: If the government wasn't moving, the people were. Typical of the nation-wide protests was a Brooklyn, N.Y., rally which brought together religious leaders of all faiths, state assemblymen and senators, a municipal court judge, a special sessions court judge, a State Supreme Court Justice, a Board of Education member, the city corporation counsel, a city councilman. They declared:

> Life cannot be restored by meetings or rallies, but a combined expression of opinion by members of all races and creeds will show our abhorrence of these un-American atrocities.

At another Brooklyn rally, 2,500 strong in Concord Baptist Church, Judge Hubert Delany proposed cancellation of postal service and of all federal subsidies to Florida. The meeting voted a boycott of Florida goods and resorts, asked the Mayor and City Council to proclaim a Harry T. Moore Day.

Several state legislatures had resolutions demanding action by the President and Congress; Congress itself had a bill (Rep. Hugh J. Addonizio, D-N.J.) proposing legislation for federal intervention if states fail to protect citizens.

Doubling 1948

A statewide conference of the New York American Labor Party club leaders the Saturday following the Progressive Party national committee meeting brought forth an attendance of more than 500 people. A minimum 1952 budget of $250,000 was approved, half of this sum to be earmarked for campaigns to put the Progressive Party on the ballot in Illinois, Ohio, Massachusetts and Florida as well as in other states where such campaigns are necessary.

OBITUARY

Carol King

MRS. CAROL KING fought brilliantly and tenaciously in the Supreme Court and in police courts for the foreign-born and all who were persecuted for political reasons. Last week when legal defenders were hard-pressed, their ranks thinned out by disbarment or intimidation, their services demanded everywhere, Mrs. King at 56 died after a cancer operation in New York's Beth Israel Hospital.

Since her graduation from Barnard in 1916 she figured in the Scottsboro, Sacco-Vanzetti, Angelo Herndon, William Schneiderman, Harry Bridges cases. But the bulk of her work was for people not in the news: strikers facing frame-ups, foreign-born whose rights she had defended since the post-World War I Palmer raids. When the deportation drive began in 1946 she resolved that no one should suffer for lack of a lawyer. She faced a mountain of work as general counsel for the American Committee for Protection of the Foreign Born.

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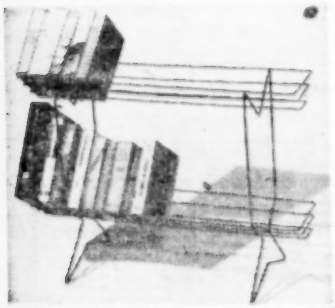

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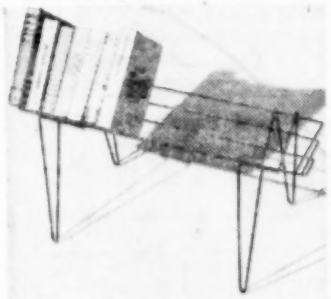

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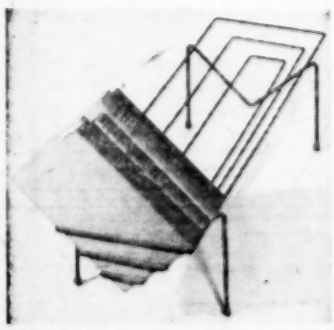

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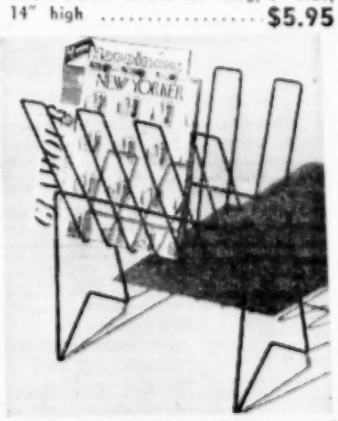

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By James Aronson

"SOMEHOW in their mad rush to utilize every means of communication for propaganda purposes," the 2nd-string critic of the N.Y. **Herald Tribune** said, "the Russians have lost sight of the fact that the motion picture is essentially an entertainment medium."

He was reviewing (if one can grace his testy sermon with that term) **Peace Will Win**, the feature-length documentary about the Second World Peace Congress in Warsaw in November, 1950, now at New York's Stanley Theatre. If he read the screen credits which every critic gets, he would have discovered that the film was directed by the world's greatest documentary maker Joris Ivens (Dutch) and Jerzy Szelubski (Polish); that the cameramen were Polish, Russian, English, French and Czechoslovak; that the music was Italian, American, Russian, French, Polish and Czech; and that the cast of characters, of all languages and colors, represented about a billion of the earth's people.

What he was aware of, and what probably bothered him most, was a lot of foreign words like *pokoj, mir, paix, paz, Frieden;* and no matter how he sliced and quartered them they all spelled *Peace.*

SANITY TO THE FORE: This is no ordinary film, this work of the man who made **Spanish Earth** and **Indonesia Calling** and **400 Million.** It is a breath-taking testament by the sane people of the world (the overwhelming majority) which says to Washington: your insanity is killing and will kill thousands of innocent people; but you will never triumph.

THE KIDS TAKE OVER THE CONGRESS HALL

"We bear the responsibility for all children with fair and dark hair, of London and Moscow, Paris and Peking, children playing among New York's skyscrapers and wandering among the ruins of Korea."
—Ilya Ehrenburg at the Warsaw Congress.

The wonder of the film is that Ivens, with superb dramatic photography, has turned the sitting-down, speech-making sessions of 2,000 persons in a vast hall into a swift-moving, powerful pageant of the living history of our time and its central theme—the battle for life.

The camera sweeps from Sheffield, England, where the Labour government, under U.S. fiat, barred the congress by excluding its delegates; across Europe to Prague, where the Czech government set up an airlift of super liners to carry delegates to Warsaw, the new host to the congress. (No doubt the **Tribune's** man was convinced that the chief means of travel in Czechoslovakia were droshkies abandoned by the Czar in St. Petersburg and forced on the Czechs by Stalin at exorbitant prices.)

HEROES OF PEACE: We look on Warsaw, the new city building on the ruins of Hitler's madness, and the unbelievable eight-day, round-the-clock feat by the workers of Warsaw who converted the huge unfinished composing room of a publishing house into a beautifully furnished and decorated congress hall. In and out of the hall the camera travels: now giving us the great figures of our day—the Dean of Canterbury, Joliot-Curie, Pietro Nenni, Pablo Neruda, Shostakovich and many more; now taking us to the silent weeping rubble of the Warsaw Ghetto where hundreds of thousands were butchered.

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JUST ONE RACE: There are too many thrilling scenes to be described in this space (some remembered especially well are the trains with delegates being overwhelmed by the city and village folk of Czechoslovakia and Poland with flowers and food and love). What one carries away are the pulsing movement of the film, the feeling of belonging to a magnificent race of human beings, the sense of ultimate victory that comes with awareness of that solidarity.

What real man or woman will not be moved at the sight of thousands of school children of Warsaw pouring into the congress hall carrying flowers and crying *"Pokoj!"*, being lifted onto the platforms by the eager hands of great artists and scientists, swept up by delegates who came from 81 countries of the earth to insist that these children have a chance to grow beyond childhood?

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